

# News Advisory



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## One-of-a-kind Antique Raceboat Returns to Lake Tahoe Waters

- **1926** – The Mercury, one of the fastest boats in the world, races for first time on Manhasset Bay, New York.
- **1937** – The Mercury is carefully packed in petroleum jelly and shipped to Lake Tahoe, where the odd-looking aluminum boat again proves her worth on the water during summer races.
- **1958** – Outpaced by more modern craft, she runs her last laps in the Lake Tahoe regatta.
- **Friday, June 27, 2003** – The 35-foot antique speedboat – outfitted with a 420-cubic inch engine and ready to prove she's still one-of-a-kind – will be back in the water!

### NEWS CONFERENCE ADVISORY

**WHEN**.....Friday, June 27, 11 a.m.

**WHAT**.....The Mercury, an antique raceboat donated to State Parks by the Sierra State Parks Foundation, will be back in the water for the first time in decades after being outfitted with a new engine.

**WHO**.....State Parks Acting Director Ruth Coleman, State Parks Commissioner Caryl Hart, and others will discuss the history of the boat and the significance of its return to Lake Tahoe.

**WHERE**.....Sugar Pine Point State Park, Lake Tahoe (10 miles south of Tahoe City on Highway 89); enter the park and follow the signs to news conference.